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¶11. On February 6, Econoff delivered ref A points and statement to Igor Ugorich of the MFA's Department of International Security and Arms Control. Ugorich received the information without comment. Econoff stressed that, given recent statements of intent for Belarus and Iran to cooperate on nuclear issues (ref B), it would be helpful for the GOB to provide its position on this issue. Ugorich promised to pass the request to his superiors.

¶12. On February 3, Belarus' MFA announced, "The official position of the Republic of Belarus stems from the fact that any member state of the Non-proliferation treaty has the inalienable right to carry out peaceful nuclear activities. Belarus traditionally supports the IAEA and its Director General's efforts to settle the remaining issues in connection with the Iranian nuclear program. Belarus urges all interested parties to fully cooperate with IAEA on the basis of transparency and good will to solve all remaining problems exclusively within the Agency framework."

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